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In re application of

**Kenneth J. Hines**

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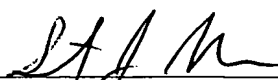
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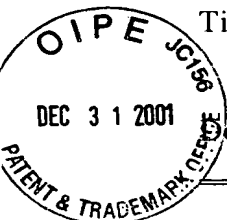
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1. Pursuant to his duty of disclosure, applicant presents for the Examiner's consideration the document listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449.

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2. ☐ Applicant(s) draw(s) the Examiner's attention to the enclosed copy of copending U.S. Pat. Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, for \_\_\_\_\_, which is cited in this application.

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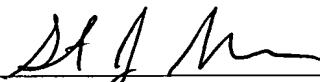
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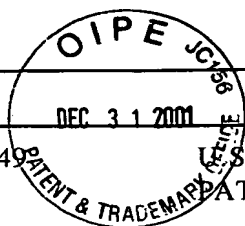
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